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Mr. Elmar Kurzbach Jacksonville District Corps of Engineers Post Office Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 32232-0019

RE: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District,
National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife
Service - Flood Control Projects - Preparation of
Supplement to the 1992 Final Environmental Impact
Statement on Modified Water Deliveries to Everglades
National Park - Construction Modifications to the
Central and Southern Florida Project to Improve Water
Deliveries into Everglades National Park and to Take
Steps to Restore the Natural Hydrological Conditions
within the Park
SAI: FL9212241915CR3

Dear Mr. Kurzbach:

The Florida State Clearinghouse, pursuant to Presidential Executive Order 12372, Gubernatorial Executive Order 95-359, Florida Statutes, the Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 1451-1464, as amended, and the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321, 4331-4335, 4341-4347, as amended, has coordinated a review of the above-referenced project.

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) offers comments and recommendations regarding the environmental aspects of the project for evaluation in the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement. Please refer to the enclosed DEP comments.

The Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission (GFWFC) notes that its June 17, 1999, recommendations, attached, were provided directly to the Army Corps of Engineers. Please refer to the enclosed GFWFC comments and attachment.

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